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STATE PASS USDA, FDA
FROM AGRICULTURAL OFFICER

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAGR
SUBJECT: CANNED RED SALMON CONTAMINATION

REF: HONG KONG 10330

1. THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, HONG KONG FORWARDED THE FOLLOW-
ING TO THE AGRICULTURAL OFFICER ON AUGUST 8. QUOTE. SUSPECTED
CONTAMINATED CANNED SALMON: INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM
THAT FOUR CASES OF BOTULISM WERE REPORTED IN BIRMINGHAM AFTER
CONSUMING A SALAD CONTAINING RED SALMON. THE SUSPECTED
FOOD WAS THOUGHT TO HAVE COME FROM A TIN OF 7 1/2OZ. CAN OF JOHN WEST
BRAND CANNED SALMON BEARING THE BATCH NUMBER RF 7GF 7145 PROCESSED IN
ALASKA OF YOUR COUNTRY. THE DEPARTMENT FEELS GRAVE CONCERN OVER
THE MATTER AND SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD ADVISE ON THE
FOLLOWING: (1) THE CAUSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CONTAMINATED CANNED
SALMON;
(2) OTHER BRANDS OF CANNED PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED IN THIS
CANNERY IN ALASKA;
(3) THE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN BY YOUR COUNTRY TO
ENSURE THAT NO CONTAMINATED CANNED PRODUCTS ARE EXPORTED
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TO OTHER COUNTRIES; AND
(4) WHETHER OR NOT THE EXISTING STOCK OF JOHN WEST BRAND
CANNED SALMON FROM YOUR COUNTRY IN HONG KONG SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN
FROM THE MARKET FOR THE PROTECTION OF
PUBLIC HEALTH. UNQUOTE.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES 1-4 ASAP.

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